

2011-13 Cal Poly Catalog
Natural Resources Management &
Environmental Sciences Department

BS SOIL SCIENCE

60 units upper division GWR
 2.0 GPA USCP

* = Required in Support; also satisfies GE

Note: No major, support or concentration courses may be taken as credit/no credit.

MAJOR COURSES

SS 110 Orientation in Earth and Soil Sciences.....	1	1
SS 121 Introductory Soil Science.....	4	4
ERSC 202 Soil Erosion and Water Conservation.....		
SS 221 Fertilizers and Plant Nutrition.....		
ERSC 223 Rocks and Minerals		
SS 321 Soil Morphology		
SS 322 Soil Plant Relationships		
ERSC 323 Geomorphology		
SS 422 Soil Microbiology and Biochemistry		
SS 423 Soil and Water Chemistry		
SS 431 Soil Resource Inventory.....		
SS 432 Soil Physics		
⁴ SS or ERSC 461 Senior Project I		
⁴ SS or ERSC 462 Senior Project II.....		
SS or ERSC 463 Undergraduate Seminar		
Concentration courses (see below)	⁴	⁴
(7/27/12)	²⁷	²⁸
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SUPPORT COURSES

BOT 121 General Botany (B2 & B4)*	4	4
BRAE 340 Irrigation Water Management (Area F)*	4	4
CHEM 127 General Chemistry (B3&B4)*	4	4
CHEM 128 General Chemistry	4	4
CHEM 129 General Chemistry	4	4
CHEM 313 Survey of Biochemistry.....	5	5
GEOL 201 Physical Geology	3	3
NR/LA 318 Applications of GIS	2	2
² MATH 118 Pre-Calculus Algebra or MATH 141 Calculus I (B1)*		
² MATH 119 Pre-Calculus Trigonometry or MATH 142 Calculus II (B1)*		
³ PHYS 121/PHYS 141.....		
STAT 218 Appl Statistics-Life Sciences	⁴	⁴
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GENERAL EDUCATION (GE)

72 units required, 20 of which are specified in Support.

→See page 39 for complete GE course listing.

→Minimum of 12 units required at the 300 level.

Area A Communication (12 units)

A1 Expository Writing	4	4
A2 Oral Communication	4	4
A3 Reasoning, Argumentation, and Writing.....		

Area B Science and Mathematics (no add'l units req'd)

B1 Mathematics/Statistics * 8 units in Support	0	0
B2 Life Science * 4 units in Support.....	0	0
B3 Physical Science * 4 units in Support		
B4 One lab taken with either a B2 or B3 course		

Area C Arts and Humanities (20 units)

C1 Literature	4
C2 Philosophy	4
C3 Fine/Performing Arts	4
C4 Upper-division elective	4
Area C elective (Choose one course from C1-C4)	4

Area D/E Society and the Individual (20 units)

D1 The American Experience (40404)	4
D2 Political Economy	4
D3 Comparative Social Institutions	4
D4 Self Development (CSU Area E)	4
D5 Upper-division elective	4

Area F Technology Elective (upper division)

* 4 units in Support	0
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FREE ELECTIVES.....

(7/27/12) **0-1**

180

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CONCENTRATIONS (select one):**Environmental Management Concentration**

CHEM 312 Survey of Organic Chemistry (<i>transfer equivalent CHEM 212</i>).....	5
CRSC 411 Experimental Techniques & Analysis or	
STAT 313 Applied Experimental Design &	
Regression Models	4
ERSC 323 Geomorphology.....	4
GEOG 440 Advanced Applications in GIS.....	4

¹ Approved electives..... **15 ++**

Select 15 & units from the following:

CHEM 341;	4
CRP 212, 336; CRP/NR 404, 408;	4
GEOG 440;	
NR 142, 306, 320, 335, 416, 418, 425; NR 311;	
PHIL 340;	
RPTA 302;	
SS 339 [†] , 440, 444, 453	
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<i>Corrections effective Summer 2011</i>	

Environmental Science and Technology Concentration

CHEM 216 or 316, CHEM 217 or 317	4
(transfer equivalent CHEM 216), (transfer equivalent CHEM 217) Organic Chemistry I, II... ..	5, 4/5
Select from: CHEM 218/318, 231/331, 319, 341, 481	8
Select from: ENVE 325, 330, 434, 439; SS 442	6
STAT 313 Applied Experimental Design &	
Regression Models or CRSC 411 Experimental	
Techniques & Analysis.....	4
(7/27/12)	27-28

¹ Consultation with advisor is recommended prior to selecting approved electives; bear in mind your selections may impact pursuit of post-baccalaureate studies and/or goals.

² Students in the Environmental Science and Technology concentration take MATH 141 and MATH 142.

³ Students in the Environmental Science and Technology concentration take PHYS 141.

⁴ May substitute one of the following senior project courses: ERSC/NR 476, ERSC/NR 477, ERSC/NR 478, ERSC/NR 479 plus one unit of Free Electives is required. (3/10/16)

[†] No more than 4 units of SS 339 may be used.

Land Resources Concentration

CHEM 312 Survey of Organic Chemistry (<i>transfer equivalent CHEM 212</i>).....	5
CRSC 411 Experimental Techniques & Analysis	4
¹ Approved electives	19

Select 19 units from any one minor, or select 19 units from the following courses.

Note: The prerequisite courses are not listed - check the catalog.

AG 450;
 AGB 321, 370;
 AGED 404;
 ANT 310;
 ARCH 202;
 ASCI 220, 221, 222, 223, 329, 420;
 BIO 112, 114, 161, 162, 325, 415, 427, 435;
 BOT 238, 323, 324, 433;
 BRAE 340, 348, 405, 435, 440, 448;
 CHEM 216, 217, 218, 316, 317, 318, 319, 341, 481;
 COMS 212;
 CRP 212, 214;
 CRSC 203, 333, 445;
 DSCI 101, 121, 230;
 EHS 343;
 ENVE 325, 330, 434, 436, 439;
 ERSC/GEOG 250, 325, 333;
 FRSC 132, 133, 230, 231, 342;
 FSN 121, 125, 341;
 GEOG 150, 300, 301, 308, 340; GEOL 204;
 HUM 302;
 JOUR 205;
 LA 551;
 MCRO 221;
 NR 141, 142, 208, 306, 420;
 NR/GEOG/LA 318;
 NR 311;
 PHIL 321, 331, 337, 340;
 PPSC 311, 321, 327, 431, 441;
 PSY 301, 302;
 RPTA 302;
 SOC 309;
 SS 301, 310, 339[†], 433, 440, 442, 444, 453;
 VGSC 230, 260;

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